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Daily COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County

Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, is recommending all residents recommit to CDC guidelines to reduce the risk of COVID-19.

- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask in public (over your nose and mouth) or with others who live outside your household. Never share a mask with others.
- Teach children proper hygiene and the correct way to wear a mask.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.
- As supply and eligibility increases, consider getting vaccinated.

For information and to check availability of vaccines, please visit the new Vaccination Page on the Coronavirus Hub for Montgomery County here: https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/pages/vaccinations.

Today, we can confirm five additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A woman in her 70s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 80s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 80s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 90s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A man in his 80s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.

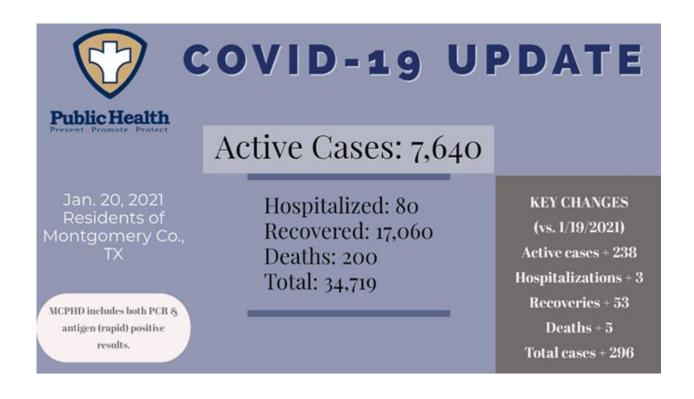
We can also confirm:

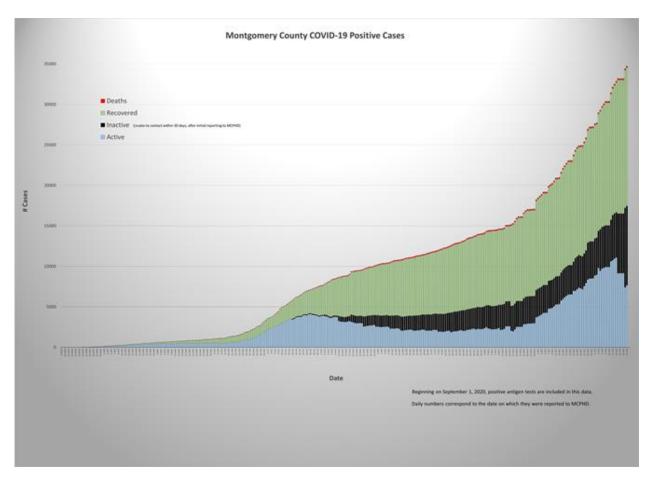
- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 296 to 34,719 since yesterday's (1/19) report. Of the 296 new cases, 290 were tested since 1/7/2021.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased by 238 to 7,640 since yesterday's (1/19) report.
- 80 county residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 17,060 people have clinically recovered.

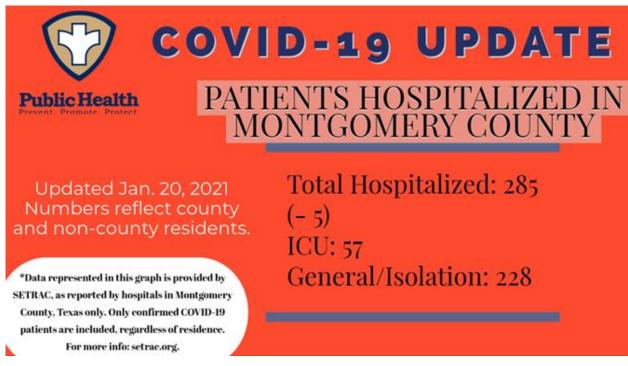
This week, the Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County remains at 21% for the 2^{nd} week. This number is updated weekly on Wednesdays.

Source: UT Health, School of Public Health

*These numbers include PCR and rapid antigen testing. We do not include antibody testing. Have questions? Please go to https://mcphd-tx.org/ and scroll down to the FAQs.







SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations was last updated 1/20/2021. Updates can be found here: https://bit.ly/2Mr5o0X.

You can view the case-by-case updates on the MCPHD website here: https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/. You can refer to the dashboard here: https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/.

Do you have questions regarding COVID-19, COVID-19 testing or vaccines? The Montgomery County COVID-19 Call Center's number is 936-523-3916. It is open Monday-Friday from 8:00am -4:30pm.

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